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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the office action mailed September 19, 2005, setting a three month shortened statutory period for response which expired on December 19, 2005, and which has been extended one month to January 19, 2006, amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.